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In re Patent Application of:

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR LOADING A

FUEL ASSEMBLY INTO THE CORE OF A

NUCLEAR REACTOR

Examiner: R. J. Palabrica

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.